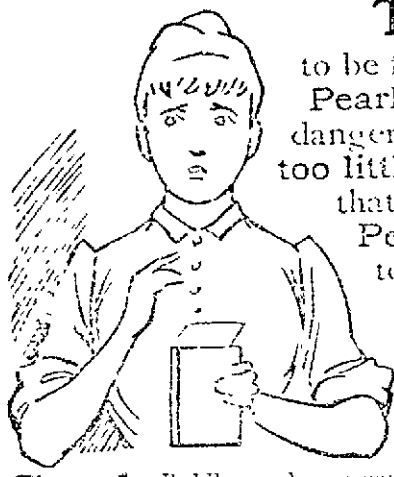


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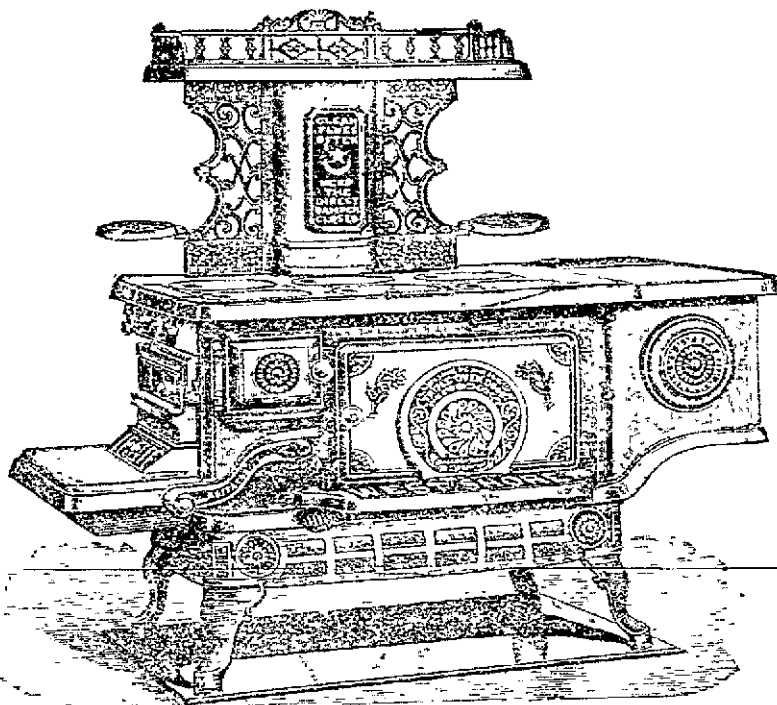


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## SHE ENTERTAINS CHILDREN

Miss Kathleen Shippen's New Field of Labor in Chicago.



Miss Kathleen Shippen, a bright, original Chicago girl, has hit upon a new line of work for young women. She has become a professional entertainer of children and has found the field a very pleasant and profitable one. She plans parties and personally looks after the entertainment of each little guest. She is a very intelligent, cultivated, winning young woman, and children fall in love with her at first sight. She spent the first years of her life in Germany and speaks German and English fluently. Her natural love for the little ones led her to assist in entertaining parties for children, and her great success, her originality and her quaint devices for arousing interest made her services in great demand, and she was soon asked to entertain for strangers and has built up a lucrative business.

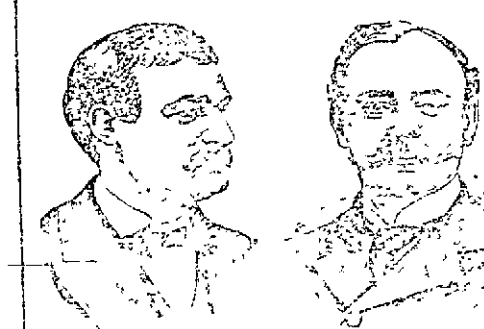
When she is to conduct a party for children, she learns the ages, sex and tastes of the little ones who are invited and plans her entertainment accordingly. She makes out a set of leaflets, containing ideas for numerous games, and ties them to her waist with a bright ribbon. Then, as the entertainment progresses, she has so many strings to her bow that she can choose the one that seems best fitted for the company before her. She helps the little ones remove their wraps, learns their given names and as quickly as possible makes them feel at ease in her presence. The boys are more difficult to become "chummy" with than the girls, but she soon dissipates all diffidence. She finds the blase children, the ones that have been pampered and overindulged in all manner of entertainments, the most difficult to please. Nothing is fresh and jolly in their eyes. When there is to be considerable dancing, her brother and sister accompany her, and the Shippen trio play the piano, cello and violin.

During all her entertainments Miss Shippen endeavors to cultivate unselfishness and courtesy among the children, and the motto she proposes is "Love, Life and Light." The first includes the graces and amenities of unselfish living, the second refers to the proper care of the body, and the third means knowledge which brings light. She is constantly on the lookout for new games and now and then invents one herself.

## PATTISON VERSUS WARWICK.

Interesting Careers of the Rival Philadelphia Mayor Candidates.

The municipal campaign in Philadelphia is attracting more attention than usual, owing to the fact that Robert E. Pattison, twice chosen governor of Pennsylvania, is a candidate for mayor on the Democratic ticket. Mr. Pattison was born in Quantico, Md., Dec. 8, 1850. His father was Rev. Dr. Robert H. Pattison, a Methodist clergyman. He was educated in Philadelphia, studied law under Attorney General Lewis C. Cassidy and was admitted to the bar in 1872. He entered a strong liking for politics, and his successful career began with his election as city comptroller of Philadelphia in 1877. He was elected in 1880 as a Democrat by a majority of nearly 14,000, although Philadelphia gave President Garfield a majority of over 20,000. In 1881, at the age of 31, he was elected governor of Pennsylvania and was the first Democrat to carry the state since the war. He served four



**R. E. PATTISON.**  
Years and returned to the practice of his profession. In 1890 he was again nominated for governor and carried the state a second time. He is over 6 feet tall, is dark complexioned and has black hair, dark eyes and a black mustache.

**C. F. WARWICK.**  
Charles Franklin Warwick, the Republican candidate for mayor, was born in Philadelphia in 1852 and is two years younger than his opponent. He is the son of Edward Warwick and Anne Marshall Warwick and was educated in the Philadelphia public schools. He then studied law in the office of E. Spencer Miller and completed his legal education at the University of Pennsylvania, graduating in December, 1872, and then beginning his legal career the same year as ex-Governor Pattison. During the campaign of 1875 he made his debut as a stump-speaker, and since then he has taken an active part in every important campaign, often speaking in other states. After occupying several minor offices Mr. Warwick was elected city solicitor by a majority of nearly 11,000. He has been re-elected three times and has held the office 11 years. In the election of 1891 Mr. Warwick's majority was over 22,000. He married Miss Ella F. Giesner in 1873 and has five children. He reads French, German and Italian and is very fond of hunting and fishing.

## The Income Tax in London.

London pays 12 per cent of the income tax of England and Wales, and its government and management cost about \$35,000,000 a year.

## The Largest Herbarium.

The Michigan agricultural college herbarium is said to be the largest in the world. It now contains 75,000 specimens.

## THE MAGNETIC GIRL.

An Explanation of How Her Tricks May Easily Be Duplicated.

While in Chicago I saw the announcement of an electric girl who included in her repertory a new trick, or at least one that I had not yet seen. A stick about four feet long and as thick as a broomstick was produced, and I and another gentleman were requested to hold it in a vertical position before us while grasping it firmly in both hands. The girl, standing in front of and facing us, placed the palm of her open hand against the lower portion of the stick, resting it on the nearest to us and farthest from her. After rubbing her hand down for a few moments in order to make better electric contact, as we were informed, and after enjoining us to hold the stick perfectly vertical, we were told to press down on it as hard as we could.

That we did until the veins seemed to stand out on our foreheads; but, exerting ourselves as hard as we could, we, two strong men, were unable to press down hard enough to make the stick slip past the open palm of her hand. Had the girl grasped the stick with her two hands, I am sure she could not have withstood my downward pressure alone. I would have torn her, stick and all, to the floor. But there she stood, with but one open hand bearing against the side of the stick, and both us could not by our united efforts force the stick past that wonderful hand. Surely there seemed something uncanny about this. But it is very simply explained.

The whole secret consists in insisting upon the men holding the stick in a vertical position. When the girl's open hand is first placed against the lower portion of the stick, she moves it two or three times up and down, pulling gradually more and more against it. As this tends to pull the stick away from the vertical, she insists that the men keep it straight. Thus cautioned, they will exert more and more effort until, when she feels that the pressure against her hand is sufficient, she instructs them to push down with all their might. They do so and imagine that they are exerting a tremendous vertical thrust, whereas their vertical effort is actually very slight—insufficient even to overcome the friction of the stick against her moist hand. The men are really exerting a tremendous effort, but are deceived as to its direction. With their hands tightly grasping the upper end of the stick they are really trying to force the other end of the stick against the palm of her hand.—N. W. Perry in Cassier's Magazine.

## WHY WOMEN MAKE POOR DETECTIVES

A Secret Service Man Says the Opposite Sex Make Bad Spies.

"Women are not good detectives," said an experienced secret service man on being asked his opinion. "To begin with, there are many places to which a woman cannot go without exciting suspicion, and this defeats her object at the outset, but beyond this woman is unfitted by nature for detective work. "In the first place, she jumps at a conclusion and acts on it in opposition to all human probabilities, possibilities and reason. As a rule, a woman does not reason. She looks on a thing as she wants it to be or thinks it ought to be, and will follow that theory. She is led by prejudices, favors or sympathies, regardless of facts. "As a detective she is sometimes a success in entrapping a man, but her work generally ends in a blunder which betrays her. She is perceiving only when moved by passion, and does not look at a case from the point of view of a detective. She is not a woman of decision and is not a woman of courage. "A woman enjoys the mysterious, and she is so dated at her position as detective that she is unable to conceal her identity or the secret investigations of a case. "Women are even failures in running down criminals of their own sex. A woman criminal will mislead a woman detective by working on her vanity, credulity or sympathy, and, worst of all, if the detective be attractive and the man criminal handsome—well, a man is better for detective work, and besides a woman will sell out a case, and cheaply at that, if any upon her sex to escape punishment if detected." —New York Herald.

## Sickrooms.

A medical journal urges, sensibly enough, that in the present extravagant expenditure in house building a little money should be laid out in arranging for a sickroom, built on the sunny side and equipped with at least the simple means for isolation and care of a sick person. Ventilation should be well considered. The walls may be of washable material—paint tiles or covered with waterproof bath paper. The plumbing should be out of but convenient to it. A little of the time and money invested in libraries, ballrooms and ornamental parlors spent on an apartment whose use in an emergency not unusual to frail humanity may insure the comfort and safety to the family that is necessary to the enjoyment of the more luxurious rooms.

## English Women's Shoes.

English women are teaching American women some important facts about footwear. We know today that a touch of patent leather removes the shoe from street use, except in case of walking to and from afternoon teas and luncheons. That only seal or calf skins suits the pavement; that low shoes are to be reserved for summer wear; that spats are not good form, except for men, and that laced shoes are the smart thing for the forenoon.

## Health and Morality.

He who recklessly injures his health does not prove his unselfishness—he simply curtails his powers of doing good. And he who injures his character by welcoming evil influences is thereby inflicting a still greater evil upon the community.—Exchange.

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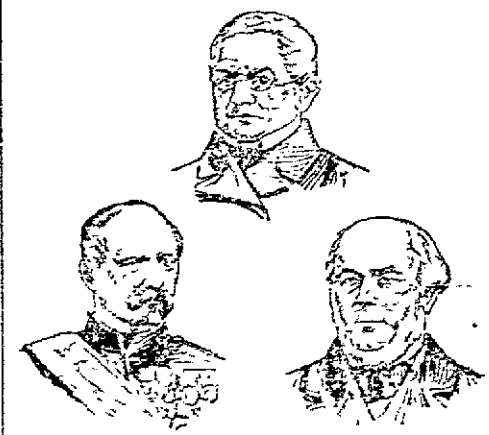
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## THE SIX PRESIDENTS.

RESIGNATION SEEMS A SPECIALTY WITH FRENCH EXECUTIVES.

All Have Been Compelled to Resign Except Sadi-Carnot, Who Was Assassinated. The President's Powerless Position When Assailed—Career of President Faure.

The United States has had 24 presidents, none of whom resigned. France has had 17, all of whom resigned except one, who was assassinated. There are several reasons for this difference of procedure. One is that the seven years' term of the French president gives him more time to become unpopular than the four years' term of the president of the United States. The main reason, however, is to be found in the constitution of each country. In France the president is the creature of the legislative branch of the government. He is elected by the senate and chamber, the life of his cabinet depends upon the favor of these bodies, and if he incurs their ill will and desires to appeal to the country for vindication he can only do so with the consent of the senate. If the senate is against him, he must resign. In the United States the president is elected by the people, instead of the legislative body, congress has little control over him, his veto practically allows him to dictate what congress shall do in the way of legislation, and resigning is about the last act he ever contemplates.



MACMAHON, THIERS, GREVY.

The third republic of France dates from Sept. 4, 1870, immediately after the downfall of Napoleon III, at the close of his disastrous war with Germany. Louis Adolphe Thiers was elected president Aug. 31, 1871, served as chief executive but two years, three months and seven days and resigned May 24, 1873. Previous to his election he had been known as a constitutional monarchist and an advocate of the pretensions of the house of Orleans, and when in 1873 he declared himself in favor of the republic as the form of government acceptable to the majority of the people the monarchial parties combined against him, and under pressure of an adverse vote of the assembly he resigned.

On May 24, 1873, Marie Edme Patrice MacMahon, marshal of France under Napoleon III, was chosen president through the influence of the monarchists and held his post five years, eight months and six days. MacMahon was inclined to Bonapartism and hated radicalism. It was not long before his only supporters were the monarchists and clericals, and his dismissal of Premier Jules Simon and the annuity of the mighty Gambetta hastened his downfall. Gambetta declared in a speech that MacMahon must "quit or submit," and on Jan. 30, 1879, rather than sign a bill forcing into retirement some of his old comrades, the president stepped down.

Francois P. Jules Grevy was elected president Jan. 30, 1879, and was re-elected in 1885 and remained in power seven years, ten months and three days. The discovery that his son-in-law, M. Wilson, and the police had suppressed and falsified judicial evidence, and Grevy's support of this corruption, led to an overwhelming popular demand for his resignation. Grevy, however, clung to the presidency like a leech. Several times he attempted his resignation, but the document invariably had a metaphysical string tied to it and was pulled back. Finally the chamber and senate by joint resolution practically summoned Grevy to resign, and he did so Dec. 2, 1887, with great reluctance.

The following day Marie Francois Sadi-Carnot was chosen to succeed him. He held the office 6 years, 6 months and 21 days, and until the assassin's hand ended his life June 24, 1894. Three days later Casimir-Perier became president, but a "six months' campaign of defamation and insult" against the army, the magistrature and an irresponsible chief of state compelled him to resign. How long he would have remained in office, will not remain to be seen. Between the monarchists, who desire a monarchy, the Bonapartists, who are against any president, and the dis-



FAURE, SADI-CARNOT, CASIMIR-PERIER.

affected opponents of the government who hardly know what they want his path will not be strewn with roses. M. Faure is about 71 years old and a successful business man. He was born in Paris, but has long been a ship owner and merchant in Havre. He distinguished himself by assisting in quelling the commune, and during his 14 years of political life has become a high authority on economic, marine and railway matters. He is of the same political sentiment as Casimir-Perier and will be compelled to battle with the same enemies.

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## MOUNTAIN DALE.

School Re-opened—An Operation for Appendicitis—Other Notes.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—Keen, frosty weather.

—George Riley's brother, a lumberman from Pennsylvania, is in town at present.

—I understand that school will re-open next Monday, with Miss Maggie Maloney as teacher. The district should congratulate itself on securing so good a teacher.

—A carload of feed has just arrived for James Carden, Jr., and two more are on the way. That's business.

—During the past six weeks John Foster has suffered intensely with appendicitis, and the attending physician, Dr. J. E. Curlette, decided that an operation would be the only means of offering any chance for his life. On Friday of last week, Dr. Curlette and Dr. J. B. Hulett, of Middletown, operated on the patient, and removed from the abdominal cavity about a pint of pus, also a large amount of broken down tissue. Notwithstanding the low condition of the patient, the operation was successfully performed, and he has since rested much more easily.

—The grip is very prevalent in some places, but fortunately has not yet reached here.

—George Wilson has plenty of woodchoppers now.

## LONG EDDY.

Shot a Wild Cat—Death of Mrs. T. J. Carr.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—Rev. L. F. Piper, of East Branch, visited friends in town, Monday.

—Cyrus Peak shot a wild cat near his stone quarry, not long ago. It weighed fourteen pounds.

—Mrs. Hannah E. wife of Mr. T. J. Carr, died at her home, Thursday, Jan. 17th. The funeral took place Sunday, Jan. 20th, at the M. E. Church, and was largely attended by neighbors and friends. She will be greatly missed, especially in the Sunday School, where she was a faithful worker. She was a member of the Orange Baptist Church, of Unionville. Her father was Josiah Cole, of Coleville, N. J. Sussex county papers please copy.

## MOUNT SALEM, N. J.

No Services Sunday Evening—A C. E. Social—Personal Notes.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—There will be a service in the church next Sunday evening, as the pastor and Christian Endeavor Society have accepted an invitation to take part in the service of the Christian Endeavorers of the Clove Church.

—A social will be held at J. H. Dunn's, Thursday evening, Feb. 7th, under the direction of the Y. P. S. C. E., of Mount Salem. If stormy, next fair evening. A cordial invitation is given to all.

—James R. Northrup, of this place, who has been an invalid for a long time, is seriously ill.

—Andrew Jaggor spent Saturday and Sunday at his home at Dingman's.

## How to Cure a Cold.

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## "Yield not to Misfortune."

I was afflicted with catarrh last autumn. During the month of October I could neither taste or smell and could hear but little. Ely's Cream Balm cured it.—Marcus Geo. Shantz, Rahway, N. J.

I suffered from catarrh of the worst kind ever since a boy, and I never hoped for cure, but Ely's Cream Balm seems to do even that. Many acquaintances have used it with excellent results.—Oscar Ostrum, 45 Warren Ave., Chicago, Ill. Cream Balm is agreeable.

## The Discovery Saved His Life.

Mr. G. Caillouette, Druggist, Beaverville, Ill., says: "To Dr. King's New Discovery I owe my life. Was taken with LaGrippe and tried all the physicians for miles about, but of no avail and was given up and told I could not live. Having Dr. King's New Discovery in my store I sent for a bottle and began its use and from the first dose began to get better, and after using three bottles was up and about again. It is worth its weight in gold. We won't keep store or house without it." Get a free trial bottle at McMonagle and Rogers' Drug Store.

Rebecca Wilkinson, of Brownsvalley, Ind., says: "I have been in a distressed condition for three years from nervousness, weakness of the stomach, dyspepsia and indigestion until my health was gone. I had been doctoring constantly with no relief. I bought one bottle of South American Nerve, which did me more good than any \$50 worth of doctoring I ever did in my life. I would advise every weakly person to use this valuable and lovely medicine; a few bottles of it have cured me completely. I consider it the greatest medicine in the world." Warranted the most wonderful stomach and nerve cure ever known. Sold by J. E. Mills, Middletown, N. Y.

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As a remedy for all forms of Headache Electric Bitters has proved to be the very best. It effects a permanent cure and the most dreaded habitual sick headaches yield to its influences. We urge all who are afflicted to procure a bottle and give this remedy a fair trial. In cases of habitual constipation Electric Bitters cures by giving the needed tone to the bowels, and few cases long resist the use of this medicine. Try it once. Large bottles only 50 cents at McMonagle & Rogers drugs store.

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Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup has been used by millions of mothers for their children while teething. It distributed at night and broken of your rest by a sick child suffering and crying with pain of Cutting Teeth send at once and get a bottle of "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup" for Children Teething. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Depend upon it, mothers, there is no mistake about it. It cures Diarrhoea, regulates the Stomach and Bowels, cures Wind Colic, softens the Gums and reduces Inflammation, and given tone and energy to the whole system. "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup" for children teething is pleasant to the taste and is the prescription of one of the oldest and best female physicians and nurses in the United States. Price twenty-five cents a bottle. Sold by all druggists throughout the world. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup."

## Good Horse Sense in Burros.

The Mexican burros ascertain where to dig for water by closely observing the surface of the ground. We had found in an arroyo a sufficient quantity of water to make a life when we observed three burros searching for water. They passed several damp places, examining the ground closely, when the leader halted near us and commenced to paw a hole in the dry, hot sand with his right fore-foot. After awhile he used his left fore-foot. Having dug a hole something over a foot in depth, he backed out and watched it intently. To our surprise, it soon commenced to fill with water. Then he advanced and took a drink and stepped aside, inviting, I think, the others to take a drink. At all events they promptly did so and then went away, when we got down and took a drink from their well. The water was cool and refreshing—much better, in fact, than we had found for many a day. There is no witchcraft about the Mexican burros, but they have good horse sense.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

## Feather Superstition.

We have long been acquainted with the peacock feather superstition, but were not aware until a few days ago that it extended to all feathered creatures. A young girl admired the beautiful pig on a stunting, cooling and stinging themselves in the court of the house where she was boarding and asked the landlady to tell her a pair to take home with her. "No, indeed, child," was the immediate response. "Not for any money would I sell you those birds. When one person gives or sells an acquaintance a feathered creature, there is sure to be trouble between them, and I do not want to fall out with you."—Philadelphia Times.

## An Easy Way.

The main object of life is to derive satisfaction from it, the philosophers say. Therefore when you are what is commonly known as selfish and grasping you can silence your conscience by telling it that you are no worse than the unselfish and sacrificing. You simply have another method of enjoying life.—Exchange.

## London New-girls.

The London Weekly Telegraph, a miscellany published in connection with the Sheffield Daily Telegraph, is now being sold in the streets of London by a corps of presentable damsels, becomingly dressed in a uniform of dark gray, with red facings, hood lined with the latter color and forage cap to match.

A fortnight after Easter the English formerly of service in a regiment called the 4th. It was customary for the women to go out into the streets with cords and bind the men when they met until the latter purchased their release with small contributions of money.

During the first century after Christ tallow was 6 cents a pound; cheese, 14 cents; butter, 15 cents; honey, 24 cents; peas, 6 cents, and beans, 10 cents.

Cape Conception, California, was called after one of the vessels in the fleet of Cortez.

## Bucklen's Arnica salve.

The best salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents a box. For sale by McMonagle & Rogers.

## Relief in Six Hours.

Distressing Kidney and Bladder diseases relieved in six hours by the "New Great South American Kidney Cure." This new remedy is a great surprise on account of its exceeding promptness in relieving pain in the bladder, kidneys, back and every part of the urinary passages in male or female. It relieves retention of water and pain in passing it almost immediately. If you want quick relief and cure this is your remedy. Sold by J. E. Mills, druggist, Middletown, N. Y.

## Testimony of a Nurse and Midwife.

PAVILION, N. Y., May 21, 1895.—"I have had great experience as a nurse and midwife for the last five or six years, and I have never found anything so good as Gilmore's Aromatic Wine; have found it excellent for young ladies arriving at maturity, and also for ladies in the decline or change of life. I recommend it to the afflicted."

MRS. AMELIA PLUCKER.

For dyspepsia try McMonagle & Rogers' Pepsin Essence.

## OUR Annual Clearing Sale GOING ON AT A LIVELY RATE.

GOOD SHOES, a little out of style, going at less than half PRICE.

Ladies' \$2 and \$3 Shoes for 98c.

Ladies' \$3 Shoes for \$1.50.

Ladies' \$4 Shoes for \$1.75.

Sizes are pretty well broken up, but if we have your size, you get a bargain.

Lot Misses' Rubbers 19 etc., lot Felt Shoes 60c, Boys' Kip Boots, 1 to 5, 98c, small lot of Men's Rubber Boots at \$1.98.

Follow the footprints to

C. D. HANFORD'S, 43 North St.

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For Plastering Walls and

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Is quickly absorbed. Cleanses the Nasal Passages, Allays Pain and Inflammation. Heals the Sores. Protects the Membrane from Additional Cold. Restores the Senses of Taste and Smell.

IT WILL CURE HAY-FEVER

A particle is applied into each nostril and is refreshing. 7c. per box, at druggists or by mail. ELY BROTHERS, 66 Warren street, New York.

## Maddocks Royal Vitreous

Equal to French Chins and less than half the price.



J. B. SWALM,

12 East Main Street, Middletown, N. Y.

## LOST!

What? Confidence.

Most people have lost all faith in Clothing Advertisements, because they have been deceived so many times, by insincere merchants, that we only wish to say that what we advertise will be

## FOUND!

Honest Talk, No Deception.

To convince you of this fact we give you the privilege of returning any garment you buy from us if you're not pleased with it and get your money back pleasantly. Further, we wish to say we are selling Men's Suits and Overcoats, from \$5 up, that will open your eyes. Men's, Boys', Youths' and Children's Clothing must go now regardless of cost. Call in; examine our bargains before you buy.

A. J. CAHILL 34 NORTH STREET

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Our Job Printing Department  
is noted for first-class work. Prices very reasonable.

FRIDAY, FEB. 1, 1895.

More than 8,000 women from all parts of the country are in attendance on the convention of the National Women's Suffrage Association now in session in Atlanta, Ga. In the face of such a representative assemblage it is idle for any one to assert that the women of the United States are not earnest in their determination to secure the ballot.

A practical test of electricity as motive power for general railroad purposes is to be made on the Old Colony Road. It is proposed to equip the line from Hingham to Hull with a trolley wire and to place motors under the steam cars now in use on the road. If the experiment is successful other branch lines controlled by the Consolidated Company will be equipped for the use of electricity. This is the first time in this country that an attempt has been made to substitute electricity for steam for general transportation purposes and the results of the trial will be watched with very great interest.

Niagara Falls, which has been paying its mayor \$300 a year, and its aldermen \$150 each, is up in arms against a proposition to raise the salary of the mayor to \$1,200. Citizens declare that better men served the city in the common council when no salaries were paid, and that the petty salary attached to city offices has tempted some men to aspire to official place, whose election would have been a civic disgrace. They fear that with \$1,200 as the Mayor's salary, men will aspire to the place who are animated not by a desire to render the city good and faithful service, but who are tempted by the \$100 a month salary. The experience of Niagara Falls is worth the consideration of Middletown's citizens who think that better government would be secured if aldermen were made salaried officers.

## NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE REPORT

JAS. P. TIGHE, Commission Broker, Stern Building, 15 North Street, Middletown, N. Y.  
Stocks, Bonds, Grain and Provisions bought and sold for cash or carried on margin.

	High	Low	Close
Sugar	9 1/2	9 1/4	9 1/4
A. B. & C.	7 1/2	7 1/4	7 1/4
Chicago Gas	76	74 1/2	74 1/2
D. & W.	10 1/2	10 1/4	10 1/4
D. & C. Gas	10 1/2	10 1/4	10 1/4
Erie	10 1/2	10 1/4	10 1/4
General Electric	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/4
L. & N.	10 1/2	10 1/4	10 1/4
M. P.	22 1/2	22 1/4	22 1/4
N. Y. & N. E.	10 1/2	10 1/4	10 1/4
N. Y. & N. E.	10 1/2	10 1/4	10 1/4
N. W.	27 1/2	27 1/4	27 1/4
N. P. & W.	10 1/2	10 1/4	10 1/4
O. & W.	10 1/2	10 1/4	10 1/4
Manhattan	10 1/2	10 1/4	10 1/4
Southern Ry.	10 1/2	10 1/4	10 1/4
P. & N. E.	10 1/2	10 1/4	10 1/4
P. & N. E.	10 1/2	10 1/4	10 1/4
C. M. & St. P.	10 1/2	10 1/4	10 1/4
U. S.	10 1/2	10 1/4	10 1/4
U. S. Nat.	10 1/2	10 1/4	10 1/4
Nat. Ind.	10 1/2	10 1/4	10 1/4
Nat. West.	10 1/2	10 1/4	10 1/4
May & Co.	10 1/2	10 1/4	10 1/4
May & Co.	10 1/2	10 1/4	10 1/4
May & Co.	10 1/2	10 1/4	10 1/4
May & Co.	10 1/2	10 1/4	10 1/4

## MARRIED

TERRELL THAYER—At Fort Jervis Jan. 24th, by Rev. Wm. H. P. Smith. Liza L. Terry, of 180th St. & 10th Ave.

DOUGLASS—At Highland Falls, N. Y., Jan. 24th, by Rev. C. G. O'Brien. P. J. Douglass and Liza L. Douglass, both of that place.

SLAVAN—BOYCE—At Monticello, Dec. 24th, by Rev. Wm. H. P. Smith. James Slavan, of 11th St. & 10th Ave., and Liza L. Boyce, of 11th St. & 10th Ave.

WILLIAM WICKHAM—In this city at the bride's home, Jan. 24th, by Rev. C. G. O'Brien. William W. Wickham, of Highland Falls, and Liza L. Wickham, of 11th St. & 10th Ave.

## DIED.

JOHNSON—At 2nd Canal Street, N. Y. city, Jan. 24th, 1895, of pneumonia, Wm. R. Johnson. Funeral Saturday afternoon, at two o'clock, at Grace Episcopal Church. Relatives will meet at the 1st St. & 10th Ave. at one o'clock. Friends will be met at the church at 11 o'clock and at the house after eleven a. m. Saturday. Interment in Hillside Cemetery.

LOSLINGER—In this city, at 11 Sprague Avenue, Jan. 24th, of pneumonia, Elsie Elizabeth, infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Loslinger, aged one year, four months and four days. Interment in Hillside Cemetery.

Go to the C. E. Crawford Furniture Co. for your sewing machines. Get the Wheeler and Wilson new No. Best on earth. dtdo26

r dyspepsia try McMonagle & Rogers' Pepsin Essence.

## LATEST BY TELEGRAPH

## THE SINKING OF THE ELBE.

No Bodies or Wreckage Found—No Hope That There May Be More Survivors.

BY UNITED PRESS.

LONDON, Feb. 1.—Six fishing smacks returned to Lowestoft, during the night. They reported that they saw no boats or wreckage of the Elbe. The wind has abated, but it is still blowing and the sea is very high.

The Queen, to-day, sent a message to the agent of the Lloyd Lloyd, expressing regret at the loss of the Elbe, and asking to be informed if there was any chance of there being other survivors. The agent replied that he feared there was no hope of any more being saved. Up to 2:30 o'clock, to-day, no bodies or wreckage had been found.

## CARS RUNNING ON ALL LINES.

A Few Cases of Wire Cutting and a Little Violence the Only Echoes of the Strike.

BY UNITED PRESS.

BROOKLYN, Feb. 1.—The running of trolley cars, last night, was attended by no violence. Wires were cut in three places during the night and three arrests were made. One wire cutter was shot in the leg by a policeman while trying to escape. Cars are running on all lines to-day.

Strikers early this morning attacked and severely beat the conductor and motorman of a car on the Third Avenue line. Strikers also broke all the windows in the car. The police drove the strikers off.

All of the Second Brigade was relieved from duty, to-day.

## "LET ME AT HIM"

Breckinridge and Heard Indulge in Fighting Talk in Congress.

BY UNITED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—In an altercation on the floor of the house, to-day, between Representatives Breckinridge, of Kentucky, and Heard, of Missouri, the life was passed and an attempt to strike blows was made.

The altercation grew out of the effort of both men to get the recognition of the Speaker. Epithets, such as scoundrel and liar, were passed between the men, and Breckinridge made strenuous efforts to strike Heard but his blows fell short. Congressman Pence, in restraining Breckinridge, nearly pulled the latter's coat from his back.

## DEATH OF JUDGE COLE.

BY UNITED PRESS.

NYACK, Feb. 1.—Judge Seth B. Cole died, last night, aged seventy-four years.

## THE FALL OF WEI-HAI-WEI

The Capture of the Island and of the Whole Chinese Fleet Likely to Follow.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—The despatch confirming news of the fall of Wei-Hai-Wei received by Secretary Gresham adds that the fall of the island and capture of the entire Chinese fleet were considered imminent.

## FOUR PERSONS BURNED TO DEATH

BY UNITED PRESS.

CLEVELAND, Feb. 1.—Four people were to death in a fire at the Deaconess Home Hospital at noon.

—To-morrow is the second day for registration.

## A Great Battle.

Is continually going on in the human system. The demon of impure blood strives to gain victory over the constitution, to ruin health, to drag victims to their grave. Hood's Sarsaparilla is the weapon with which to defend one's self, drive the desperate enemy from the field, and restore bodily health for many years.

Hood's Pills cure nausea, sickness, indigestion and biliousness. 25c.

## Worth Knowing.

Many thousands people have found a friend in Bacon's Celery King. If you have never used this great specific for the prevailing malady of the age, Dyspepsia, Liver Complaint, Rheumatism, Costiveness, Nervous Exhaustion, Nervous Prostration, Sleeplessness and all diseases arising from derangement of the stomach, liver and kidneys, we would be pleased to give you a package of this great nerve tonic free of charge. J. J. Chambers 21 West Main street.

When I was a child, I was very weak. When she was a child, she cried for comfort. When she came to me, she came to me. When she had children, she gave them to me.

## Truly Marvelous.

I wish to state that I have used Dr. Otto's German Cough Cure for myself and family and consider it the very best cough remedy I have ever used. Its effects in my own case were truly marvelous as I had a very bad cough and was losing flesh rapidly. I would heartily recommend Otto's Cure to all suffering with throat or lung troubles. Yours Respectfully, E. J. Norris, Montgomery, N. Y.

## OTISVILLE.

Funeral of Mrs. Northrup—Entertainment—Caught in a Storm—Much sickness—Business Change—Other News Items.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—The funeral of Mrs. Joel Northrup occurred, Wednesday, at 2 p. m., from her late home. Elder Benton Jenkins officiated, making a brief, but impressive address. The services were very largely attended, many being present from adjoining towns. Mrs. Northrup's life was a very busy and active one, until a few years ago, when she was attacked with paralysis. Loving hands have enabled her during the summer months to be upon the streets in an invalid's chair, that she might greet her many friends and acquaintances. In her family she was regarded with the greatest affection, and those who now mourn her loss will ever remember her loving care and advice. Her remains, accompanied by her husband and children, were taken on the Mountain Express, Thursday morning, to be laid to rest at Washington, N. J.

—The entertainment, on Friday evening, was all that had been predicted. The pieces were well selected and well rendered. Many thanks are due Mrs. Chadwick and all participants for giving to the people of this place and vicinity a pleasant and profitable evening.

—A party of young people from Mount Hope and Otisville attended the singing class at Bloomingburgh, Friday evening. Unfortunately they were met by the storm on their return trip, and it proved to be a very cold and disagreeable one.

—The sewing society of the Presbyterian Church was held at the home of Mrs. Harriet Beyea, Thursday afternoon.

—Mr. I. Y. Green has secured a position in a type factory at State Hill.

—Mrs. Charles Smith is in a very critical condition at her home south of the village.

—The winter seems to be unusually severe on our aged citizens. Some who have made this season their home for many years have passed away; others are very sick.

—Mr. Harry Waller, of New York, spent Saturday and Sunday among friends here.

—Mrs. Guy Smith, of Addison, is visiting at Mr. N. W. Beyea's.

—Charles Moore having purchased the meat market of Joe Northrup is now ready to serve all customers. Will Northrup is retained as assistant.



Mrs. Wm. E. Baringer  
Olive Ridge, N. Y.

## Erysipelas in the Face

Nearly Blind, But Perfectly Cured

Health, Appetite and Strength Renewed by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

"O. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.: "Hood's Sarsaparilla is splendid. I had long been troubled with erysipelas, and three times had it in my head and face. I became nearly blind and my hair all came out. My husband wished me to try Hood's Sarsaparilla. I only took three bottles before

## I Was Free

from my old-time trouble and long sufferings. It has never returned until last winter while I was ill with the grip, a slight attack broke out on my face. After my sickness I was not well, became easily tired and lost my appetite. I resumed taking Hood's Sarsaparilla and am

now using the fourth bottle and can run up and down stairs as spry as ever. The dried feeling is gone and I have a good appetite." Mrs. Wm. E. Baringer, Olive Ridge, New York.

Hood's Pills cure all liver ills, biliousness, jaundice, indigestion, sick headache.

For dyspepsia try McMonagle & Rogers' Pepsin Essence.

35 Cents a Gallon  
Best N. O. Molasses  
35 Cents a Gallon  
Water White Syrup.  
-SLOAT'S-  
Cash Store.

CARSON & TOWNER.  
TRY US, THIS WEEK,  
FOR YOUR  
Flannel Underwear, Wool Blankets,  
AND CLOAKS

We are offering some great values. We want to close them in anticipation of new Spring Goods, Monday. Come and see us.

CARSON & TOWNER,  
No. 11 WEST MAIN STREET, MIDDLETOWN

STILL THE RUSH CONTINUES!

## REMEMBER

Bargains in every department. We are bound to clean out our stock. Prices will sell it—Ulster Coats, Overcoats, Suits and extra Pantaloon, Underwear, Cardigan Jackets, Jersey Coats, Gloves and Mittens, Hats, Fur Caps and Cloth Caps—all must go.

## Merchant Tailoring Department

We are busy because we are giving the people the benefit of buying in the dull season to have a first class Suit, Overcoat or extra Trousers made for a little money. All are invited to call on

JOHN E. ADAMS,  
Leading Hatter, Clothier, Merchant Tailor and Gents' Furbisher  
No. 41 North Street, Middletown.

TO MENTION  
Special Bargains

we are offering separately would be impossible in our space.

In all our departments we are offering several lines at figures which will surprise and delight buyers.

The reductions are in Dress Goods, Calicos, Ginghams, Muslins, Table Linens, etc.

Our Hosiery and Underwear show the full effect of recent legislation. Woolen Goods are fully one-third below last year's prices. Free wool is good for the people—bad for the shoddy maker only.

We will show you Wool Dress Goods at 31c per yard, last year 45c.

Flannels 25c per yard, last year 45c.

Blankets \$2.49 per pair, last year \$4.50.

Wool Skirts 75c each, last year \$1.10.

Hosiery 3 pair for 25c, last year 12c a pair.

The above are only a few of the many articles at similar rates.

E. E. Churchill & Co.,  
29 NORTH ST.

SAMUEL LIPFELD,  
25 North St.

Grand Clearing Sale.

Owing to the great reductions made by reason of the NEW TARIFF, we have determined to clear up our entire stock

Men's, Youths' and Children's Suits

AND  
OVERCOATS  
ALSO ALL OUR  
Heavy Weight Underwear

now on hand, so as to enable us to present, for next season, an entire new stock. We will sell goods now on hand at an unheard of reduction.

Give us a call before purchasing elsewhere.

SAMUEL LIPFELD,  
25 North St. 25 North St.

For dyspepsia try McMonagle & Rogers' Pepsin Essence.

## HANFORD &amp; HORTON.

## DID YOU EVER

Lose any money? Was it because you had no pocket-book or was your pocket-book so worn that the money fell out?

Suppose you insure yourself against further loss by buying a new purse or pocket-book. It will not cost much to do it.

We have them from 3 cents to \$6. Lady's combination pocket-book and card case only 25 cents and upwards.

See samples in window. Come in and we will show you the stock.

Hanford & Horton,  
6 North Street.

## Men's

## Felt Boots!

AND

FIRST QUALITY OVERS,

\$1.25.

JOHN BRADLEY,

57 NORTH ST.

FOR SALE.

Farndale Farm and Mills, 6 miles from Newburgh, 14 acres best land, very valuable water power, good saw mill, large grist mill, nice residence, 3 rooms, cellar, etc.; good farm house, 6 rooms; large new barn, poultry house, sheds, etc.; young orchard, 250 barrels last year, abundance of berries and small fruits; small lake controlled by property; 5 minutes to church, store, school, postoffice; Newburgh stage passes the house twice daily. Would exchange for Middletown property, or farm near Middletown. Call or address

GARDNER & M'WILLIAMS,  
76 NORTH ST. MIDDLETOWN

OWING TO ALTERATIONS  
To Be Made in Our Store,  
WE HAVE MADE PRICES!

Reduce Our Stock, for the Next Thirty Days.

Custom Department—Suits made at cost until  
March 1st.

CEO. W. YOUNG.

Co-Operative Building Bank.

Home Office 309 Broadway, New York City

Loans money to buy or build homes in amounts from \$1,000 to \$10,000 to be paid for by monthly installments same as rent.

The Co-Operative Building Bank has nearly 200 branch offices in New York, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Maryland and District of Columbia. It now has nearly \$700,000 already loaned on first mortgages. \$13.07 per month pays for a seven-room house in about nine years. \$5 per month invested in the Co-Operative Building Bank Thirty Day Installment Stock, as an investment, will net the holder \$1,000 in about nine years.

The above bank has a branch office in Middletown, with offices in Central Building, corner North street and Railroad avenue, and are prepared to loan money immediately on good rentable home property, to buy or build homes, to be paid back by monthly installments same as rent.

The above bank also has local branches established in Bloomingburgh, Warwick, Florida, Unionville, Westtown, Johnson, Slate Hill, Otisville, Fort Jervis, Maybrook and Campbell Hall.

For circulars and full information apply or write to L. P. KNICKERBOCKER, Dist. Supt., Central Building, Middletown, N. Y. d&sw

## CARRY OVER

Your suit until spring by purchasing one of our Bargain Pants. We have many odd lots of pants, and you would be surprised to know how cheap you can be fitted and pleased. Good Working Pants 75 cents and \$1, Wool Pants \$1.50 and \$2.

Morris P. Wolf  
BLUE FRONT STORE  
10 NORTH ST.



## DAILY ARGUS.

## OFFICIAL CITY PAPER.

## OPEN EVENINGS.

THE BUSINESS OFFICE OF THE "ARGUS" IS OPEN EVENINGS FROM SEVEN UNTIL EIGHT O'CLOCK.

## WEATHER INDICATIONS.

## BY UNITED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 1.—Generally fair till Sunday, (clear Saturday; winds variable becoming west and nor westerly.

## THE TEMPERATURE.

The following was the registry of the thermometer at Frank's drug store, to-day:

7 a. m., 7°; 12 m., 25°; 3 p. m., 35°.

## AMUSEMENT AND RECREATION.

Feb. 3—Maquoketa ball o' Middletown Turnovers, at Assembly Rooms.  
Feb. 18—The Rivals, by Clara P. Underhill, for the Y. M. C. A.  
Feb. 20—Ball of Middletown Lodge, I. O. O. F.  
Feb. 21—Waukill Engine Co., No. 6, will hold its fifth annual ball, at the Assembly Rooms.  
Feb. 25—Twenty-second annual ball of McQuand Engine Co., at Casino.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

—English Mince, both cream sold by W. L. Olney.  
—Underwear, blankets and cloaks cheap at Carson & Towler's.  
—Good quality teas 25 cents a pound at C. N. Fredmore & Sons.  
—Clearing sale of cloaks and capes at Geo. B. Adams & Co.  
—Household goods for sale at 53 Mill street, to-morrow.  
—See dissolution of law of Meyer & Garrant.

## LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—Register to-morrow.  
—Bachelors' Social Club's regular hop, this evening.  
—Miss Grace Wales holds the record for Middletown ladies at the Midway bowling alley, having scored 129 points. A Goshen lady recently made a score of 157.  
—Master George Frank will entertain a number of his young friends this evening.  
—The Orange Lake and Walden electric railroad has given an order for 500 chestnut piles, to be used in constructing the road through the swamp at Orange Lake.  
—Senator Lexow introduced, yesterday, a bill appropriating \$165,000 for additions to the Hudson River Hospital at Poughkeepsie.  
—The Port Jervis firm of Swinton, Van Etten & Co., was dissolved, yesterday, Mr. Samuel S. Van Etten retiring. Swinton & Co. will be the new style of the firm.  
—Register to-morrow.

## PERSONAL.

—Ethel Elizabeth, the young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Rosenburger, died, last night, of pneumonia.  
—The condition of Mr. S. H. Bodine, to-day, is almost the same as yesterday.

## SUIT AGAINST THE TRACTION CO.

Charles Keener Asks for Seventy-five Dollars for Damages to His Wagon.

The first suit against the Traction Co. was tried, to-day, before Justice Wiggins and a jury. Chas. Keener was the plaintiff and sued for \$75 damages, caused by a car striking his wagon on Depot street, near North. J. C. R. Taylor, Esq., was plaintiff's attorney and W. F. O'Neill, Esq., represented the Traction Co.

The defense offered no evidence, Mr. O'Neill contenting himself with cross-examining the plaintiff's witnesses.

The jury rendered a verdict in favor of plaintiff for \$10 and costs. It is understood the company will appeal the case.

## HIS SKULL WAS FRACTURED.

The Operation of Trephining Performed Upon Stephen Van Cortland.

The operation of trephining was performed upon Stephen Van Cortland at his home on North street, this afternoon, by Drs. Nelson and Stubble.

Mr. Van Cortland, who is a deaf mute, while on his way to work to the file works, several weeks ago, stepped in front of an electric car and was knocked down and dragged a considerable distance. He had a scalp wound and sustained severe bruises, but it was not believed that he was badly hurt. He returned to his work in a few days, but his head has troubled him since and a day or two ago, he took to his bed and Dr. Nelson, who was called, found that his skull had been fractured from the forehead to a point behind the ear.

## Probably Not a Middletown Lady.

Mr. Chris Schwartz has heard nothing from his daughter Rosa, but is inclined to believe that she is not the young woman who became the bride of J. B. Brewster. One of the New York papers, to-day, says the bride is thirty-six years old, and the daughter of a wealthy Orange county farmer.

## Going Into Business in Ellenville.

Two young men from Middletown are about to go into the wagon and business over Thornton & Bedford's shop, under the firm name of Burner & Miller. They come well recommended.—Ellenville Press.

—Register to-morrow.

## LOCK OUT AT WALLKILL HAT WORKS

Employees Have Formed a Union and the Managers Have Shut Down—The Shop Will Not Start Until Employees Agree to Give Up the Union.

The Wallkill Hat Works have shut down, and the conditions ordinarily known as a lockout exists. Advantage is being taken of the stopping of work to take the annual inventory, which will be completed this week, and it is probable that the works will be started up again next week.

Those who know anything about the manner in which the late Lewis Tompkins conducted business, know that his shops were always non-union, or what are known among hat makers as "four" shops, and every attempt to make them "fair" shops during his life time failed. He always managed his shops entirely independent of trades unions, and it must be conceded that they were often run at their full capacity when other establishments, conducted under rules laid down by the unions, were idle. His brothers who, with his widow, are the executors of the estate, are carrying on the shops here and in Fishkill-on-Hudson in the same way.

The shop in this city is under the management of Mr. Edward D. Tompkins as superintendent, and Mr. Frank O. Tompkins as assistant superintendent. Having learned that a hat makers' union had been formed among their employees they decided to shut down, and when the factory is started up again it will be under the rules of business heretofore adhered to—only non-union men and women will be given employment, and an agreement to that effect must be entered into.

It is hoped that the shut down will not be of long duration. The Wallkill hat works is one of Middletown's most important industries. It is in operation a year round, and furnishes employment to a large number of hands.

—Register to-morrow and save probable inconvenience on the last day.

## STRIKES AND SPARES

Druggists No Match for Dry Goods Men in Last Night's Game.

Bowling teams selected from the employees of Messrs. McMonagle & Rogers and Weller & Demarest met at the Midway Park alleys, last evening, in the presence of a large crowd of spectators. The W. & D. men won the first two games, but the McM. & R. team braced up in the third and won handsily. The excellent scores made by Mr. Clarence Schafer for the W. & D. team were a feature of the contest.

The score follows:

FIRST GAME			
W. & D.	S. & R.	W. & D.	S. & R.
Gordon	0 4 7 101	Quackenbush	0 4 2 119
Kingsland	2 1 7 101	Schafer	4 3 2 172
Rogers	0 4 5 94	Thurkberry	2 1 7 84
L. Buck	0 7 7 91	C. Buck	2 1 7 103
Hill	1 1 5 119	Swaim	1 2 7 94
Total	100 4 5	Total	114 3 5
Team average	100 4 5	Team average	114 3 5

## SECOND GAME.

W. & D.	S. & R.	W. & D.	S. & R.
Gordon	4 6 101	Quackenbush	0 1 9 23
Kingsland	2 5 125	Schafer	1 4 5 113
Rogers	1 8 5 113	Thurkberry	1 3 5 110
L. Buck	4 1 5 101	C. Buck	1 4 5 110
Hill	0 9 7 109	Swaim	0 0 7 104
Total	113 4	Total	55 3
Team average	113 4	Team average	55 3

## THIRD GAME.

W. & D.	S. & R.	W. & D.	S. & R.
Gordon	2 3 6 116	Quackenbush	0 0 10 79
Kingsland	3 2 5 113	Schafer	1 1 5 111
Rogers	1 8 5 113	Thurkberry	1 3 5 110
L. Buck	1 2 5 104	C. Buck	2 4 4 101
Hill	1 1 5 113	Swaim	1 0 9 72
Total	113 4	Total	55 3
Team average	113 4	Team average	55 3

—Register to-morrow.

## Two Newburghers Go Down with the Elbe.

Among the passengers who went down on the ill-fated Elbe were two young men of Newburgh, Celim Hermann, son of Alms House Commissioner Hermann, and Henry Nitschky. Both were well known, popular and highly esteemed. It was at first thought that they might have missed the Elbe, but their names appear in the list of passengers carried from Bremen. Nitschky was engaged to be married to Gertrude Sharpe, of Newburgh, and the marriage was to have taken place soon after his return.

—Register to-morrow.

## A Priest's Silver Jubilee.

The twenty-fifth anniversary of the ordination to the priesthood of Rev. Eugene McKenna, rector of the Roman Catholic churches of West Hurley and Stony Hollow, Ulster county, was celebrated, Tuesday and Wednesday. The good priest was the recipient of many valuable gifts from parishioners and others. Besides individual gifts he received from his parishioners a bank book showing that \$528.57 had been deposited to his credit in a Kingston savings bank.

## Sale of "The Palm."

"The Palm," the elegantly fitted saloon on West Main street, has been sold by Mr. T. B. McManus, through the real estate agency of A. V. Boak, to Mr. William D. Oakes, of East Setauket, L. I., who took possession to-day. The sale includes the real estate as well as the business.

Mr. McManus will remove to Long Island to give his wife, who is in ill health, the benefit of sea air.

—Register to-morrow and save probable inconvenience on the last day.

## BETRAYED BY HIS DAUGHTER.

The Sad Story of Henry E. Stevens, of Quarryville—Persuaded to Return to New Jersey and Then Handed Over to the Police to Answer to the Charge of Shooting Paddy Quirk.

On Wednesday of this week, the Argus published the announcement of the arrest, at Bergen, N. J., of Henry E. Stevens, who was supposed to be wanted in Sussex county, N. J., for a murderous assault on Patrick Quirk, of Quarryville. The assault was committed three years ago, and was due to his jealous rage at discovering what he believed to be his wife's infidelity.

Stevens, who was a locomotive engineer, arrived home from his run early one morning, just in time to find Patrick Quirk, whom he had regarded as his bosom friend, coming out of the house.

He accused his wife of infidelity. A stirring scene followed, and in a fit of anger Stevens rushed out of the house after Quirk with a shotgun, and fired at him. The latter fell with dangerous wounds in the shoulder. Stevens thought he had killed his man and fled.

Public sentiment was, to a large extent, with Stevens, and no very vigorous efforts were made to run him down. He became a fugitive from justice. Quirk after a long illness, recovered.

Tuesday night, Mrs. Ida C. Duryea, formerly of this city, who is Stevens' daughter, gave Police Captain Newtown, in Jersey City Heights, information which led to the capture of Stevens soon afterward. He had been betrayed by his daughter.

Yesterday morning Stevens was arraigned before Police Justice Douglass, of Jersey City. He is sixty-two years old. His large gray eyes were filled with tears and his face betokened a broken heart. The court officials all seemed to feel sorry for him. After he had to some extent mastered his emotion he told this sensational story:

"It is enough to break any one's heart when one's flesh and blood betrays him. On, Ida, how could you have done this! Quirk was about my age. We were friends and I trusted him. I first became aware of his guile through one of my three children. I accused my wife and she confessed that she and Quirk had been deceiving me. The news made me crazy.

"One morning I met him. I got a gun and shot him. I went away thinking that I had killed him. For two years I traveled all over the United States, settling at last in Louisiana. About two months ago my daughter Ida visited me. She urged me to return and make my home with her in Jersey City. She told me her husband, William Duryea, of Middletown, N. Y., had deserted her and that Quirk was well again and was living with my wife at Quarryville, and that I would not be prosecuted. Now I see it was all a plot to get me to Jersey City and arrest me. My daughter, whom I love as much as I loved life itself, was a party to the plot. I came here and found that my daughter had misrepresented things. She had followed in her mother's footsteps, had betrayed her husband and when discovered had eloped with her lover, with whom she is now living in Newark avenue. I upbraided my daughter for her conduct, and she wreaked vengeance by causing my arrest.

"A faithless wife and daughter are too great a burden for my tired shoulders. I am ready to go and stand my trial, confident that no jury will convict me."

Stevens was locked up to await his transfer to the Sussex county jail.

Mrs. Ida Duryea is well known in this city and through her conduct has been the means of furnishing several sensational items for the newspapers.

On October 1st of last year, her husband, William Duryea, from whom she had been separated, found her in company with S. Victor Weeks at the Erie depot, James street, Duryea and Weeks had an altercation in which Weeks inflicted several wounds upon Duryea's head with a cane, which he carried. The jury acquitted Weeks of a charge of assault at the trial which followed and in which Mrs. Duryea was the principal witness.

## Fire at Sparrowbush.

The house of Chris. Decker, near Sparrowbush, was destroyed by fire early this morning. Mr. Decker returned from a sleighride at 2 o'clock and built a big fire to warm himself. The woodwork about the chimney ignited and the flames soon spread through the building.

## Good Prices Realized at the Osburn &amp; Brown Sale.

The receiver's sale of the stock of Messrs. Osburn & Brown was concluded last night. The amount realized is in excess of what was anticipated, and it is thought will go a long way toward wiping out the firm's indebtedness.

## In Olden Times.

People overlooked the importance of permanently beneficial effects and were satisfied with transient action; but now that it is generally known that Syrup of Figs will permanently cure habitual constipation, well-informed people will not buy other laxatives, which act for a time, but finally injure the system.

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## A PLAN FOR ERIE REORGANIZATION

In the Interest of First Mortgage Bondholders.

The first mortgage bondholders of the Erie have evolved a scheme for the reorganization of the road. It is proposed to extend the \$8,000,000 of prior lien bonds at reduced interest, for forty years, and to pay interest on the first mortgage only when it is earned. It is also proposed to spend \$2,000,000 in betterments at once, the money to be provided by English bondholders. The annual rentals now paid by the Erie amount to \$1,757,000 and it is proposed to make the rental fund \$2,000,000 a year, the balance not expended to go into a sinking fund for the extinguishment of the prior lien bonds. Large additions will be made to the rolling stock and the property put in the best of shape.

It will be observed that the plan proposes to wipe out the stock of the present company and takes no account of bonds junior to the first mortgage.

## ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Of Excelsior Lodge of Good Templars and of Endeavor Temple.

The election of officers of Excelsior Lodge, I. O. G. T., was held, last night, and resulted as follows:

O. T.—A. H. Still.  
V. T.—Miss Maggie Grier.  
Supt. of J. T.—Miss Wheeler.  
Sec'y.—Clarence Conkling.  
Treas.—W. E. Smith.  
Fin. Sec.—Miss Eva Morgans.  
Chaplain—J. W. Hill.  
Marshal—D. Weber.  
Guard—Miss Alice Tompkins.  
Sentinel—Geo. Force.  
Past C. T.—L. J. Davey.  
The following officers have been elected by Endeavor Temple, No. 141:  
C. T.—Oppitt Mason.  
V. T.—Mabel Daniel.  
P. O. T.—Grace VanHouten.  
C.—Jessie Mason.  
M.—Clara Blakeney.  
G. and S.—Nellie Robertson.  
F. S.—Florence Pierson.  
Treas.—Joan Wheeler.  
S.—Joseph Blakeney.

## BOYCOTTING THE O AND W.

How It Is Proposed to Punish the Road from Withdrawing Mileage Books.

The Hancock Herald learns that business men in villages along the Ontario and Western are planning a mild sort of boycott on the road for withdrawing its 1,000-mile books. They propose to come down as far as Hancock Junction, take a stage to Hancock village and then take an Erie train for New York. Others propose to leave the O. and W. at Middletown and take the Erie to New York. It is safe to say that one or two experiences with the inconveniences of this kind of travel will satisfy the boycotters that they are punishing themselves much worse than they are the railroad.

## Port Jervis Fire Department Nominations.

The Port Jervis Fire Department last night, nominated the following candidates:

Chief Engineer—Thomas Harris, Abram Horn.  
First Assistant—Charles Prussia, Al. Marsh.  
Second Assistant—William Linderman, Martin Burke.  
Secretary—George Bennett.  
Treasurer—T. J. Bierne.

## The Patrol Team Runs Away.

The patrol sleigh caught in the track of the electric road in front of the armory, at 3 o'clock this afternoon, and was upset, throwing out the driver. The horses ran through Highland avenue and turned into Hanford street, and at last accounts were having a run entirely on their own hook.

## A Bowling Team's Challenge.

A bowling team has been organized on James street and authorities the Aerts to say that it is ready to meet the North or Main street teams in a contest.

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## THE CITY'S WATER SUPPLY

COMMISSIONER FELLOWS ON THE PROPOSED NEW RESERVOIR.

**Advices Citizens to Make Haste Slowly.**  
Some of the mistakes of the Past Recalled—Not Sufficient Reliable Information to Warrant Intelligent Action at This Time.

**Editors Argus:**—The question is of such great importance that both sides should be brought out clearly, so that the taxpayers can vote intelligently.

I do not think an increased supply necessary at the present time, yet I expect to do all in my power to carry out the wishes of the people, as they shall express by their votes.

A careful investigation of the history of our water works shows that many mistakes have been made:

First—The use of cement and wood pipe.

Second—The use of too small pipes.

Third—Construction of Shawangunk Kill pumping system.

Fourth—Construction of Highland Lake.

And we but barely escaped the greatest mistake of all—the construction of the Shawangunk Kill scheme, as proposed in 1893. When this plan was proposed in 1893, the Water Board was instructed to employ an expert hydraulic engineer and to submit his report to the taxpayers.

While it was not stated in exact wording, still it was the intention of the taxpayers that this report should state what plan the expert engineer thought was the best possible one for an increased supply.

Instead of carrying out this idea, the expert engineer was employed only to investigate the plan suggested by the Water Board, and in his first report he recommended a storage reservoir on Beaver Brook, covering ninety acres, with an average depth of only six feet of water.

Not one of the Commissioners was satisfied with so shallow a reservoir, and when the plan now recommended by the Board was brought to the attention of the expert engineer, he recalled his report and condemned what he had formerly recommended.

Even now, the expert engineer refuses to say that in his judgment the plan now under discussion is the best possible one for Middletown to adopt.

In my opinion, the best is none too good for Middletown, and while the taxpayers have always been liberal in matters of expense, still I do not think they will be willing to overlook any more mistakes in the water works system, which has already cost more than enough for an ample supply.

The great mistakes of the Water Board have been caused by not having a sufficient foundation of exact information on which to build.

After having constructed the Shawangunk pumping system, it was learned that we had no right to take the water, and the wood pipes rotted before the case was decided in the courts.

Highland Lake was constructed without, at the time, making a survey of the water shed and without taking cross-sections to find the storage capacity of the reservoir. We are now told that the water shed is not sufficient and I have discovered that the storage capacity is nearly twice as great as was estimated at the time of construction.

The taxpayers voted \$10,000 for the driven wells on the definite statement by the President of the Board, that the money would be spent only on a guarantee of one and one-half million gallons of water per day. The Board immediately made a contract on a basis of only one million gallons per day, and spent the money without even obtaining this quantity.

While I do not question the wisdom of purchasing this system of wells, still the Board should not have spent the money otherwise than as voted.

In 1893 the Board asked for \$150,000 to bring water from the Shawangunk Kill. At the meeting of the taxpayers it was evident that there was not sufficient accurate information on which to decide the question, and the Board was instructed to employ an expert hydraulic engineer who has since condemned their plan, although a large sum was spent in securing options which have since expired. I have since learned that while the Board asked for \$150,000 they expected to require only \$100,000, which would leave \$50,000 for putting down mains.

At the October meeting of the Water Board Mr. F. A. Brown presented the plan now under discussion, which was the first time it was brought to our attention.

The expert engineer was instructed to examine and report upon the plan. At the next meeting of the Board the engineer's report was received, the plan was approved and four commissioners united in asking for a meeting of the taxpayers to vote on the question.

I maintain that in this case also there is not sufficiently full and definite information on which to decide the question.

First—No expert has pronounced this the best plan.

Second—No second surveyor has verified the levels to make sure that there is no possible error.

Third—It has not been decided how much of the Shawangunk Kill it will be necessary to buy.

Fourth—The size of the intake

and the outlet have not been decided.

Fifth—No detailed estimate of cost has been considered by the Board, and no general estimate of cost can be at all accurate until more of the details are settled. In fact, one member of the Board who signed the call for a meeting of the taxpayers, stated that in his opinion \$150,000 would not be enough to complete the job, but that more could be obtained if needed.

I refused to sign the call because: First—I have not satisfied myself that more water is needed.

Second—I have not sufficiently definite information on which to approve the plan.

In my opinion, to vote the money asked means simply a vote of confidence in the Board of Water Commissioners, backed by \$150,000, for them to spend as in their judgment is best.

The President of the Board of Water Commissioners in an interview published in the *Press*, last night, says:

That as directed by the taxpayers, Mr. J. J. R. Croes was employed to make a thorough and exhaustive survey of the water shed surrounding the city, and that after making such a survey, he reports the plan now before the people as the best Middletown can get.

Mr. Croes reports show that he has investigated only two sources of supply:

First—The source proposed by the Board in 1893.

Second—The source now under discussion.

He says that the latter is a good one, and the best he has examined, but in a letter to myself declines to say that it is the best Middletown can get.

The President also says that the proposed reservoir would not take one drop of the water which runs into Highland Lake.

Remove the Mapes dam, and every drop of the water in Highland Lake would drain into the proposed reservoir, so that if this reservoir is built, Highland Lake is unnecessary and practically a total loss.

He also says that it has been decided to acquire the right to take water from the kill whenever needed, to convey it in an open ditch and to use a twenty inch outlet pipe.

When the plan was approved by the Board I asked for information on these points and was told that they could be settled after the money was voted. I have attended every meeting since, and have not heard them discussed.

The President also says that if we had more water we could lay six miles of mains.

During the past dry summer there was no scarcity of water, but the mains could not be laid, for there was no money to pay for them.

I do not wish to be understood as condemning the location of the proposed reservoir, for I have been unable to obtain sufficient information to either approve or condemn, but I do not think it is now needed and in another letter will give my reasons.

O. S. FELLOWS.

—To-morrow is the second day for registration.

THE Y. M. C. A. "HUM" SOCIAL.

A Large Attendance—An Interesting Programme Furnishes Pleasing Entertainment.

There was a large gathering at the rooms of the Young Men's Christian Association, last evening, which overtaxed the seating capacity. A very fine programme was rendered, which was opened with a pretty solo by Miss Nettie Clark. Mr. A. B. Hurlin read an original essay, entitled "Dudee." Miss Etta Austin won hearty applause by two of her excellent recitations. Master Joseph Hutchinson recited "Yawcob Strauss" in the German dialect, and provoked much mirth. Mr. David Ellenberger, whose musical talent is well known, sang a ballad, entitled "Soldier's Sweetheart," and gave as an encore a bass solo, "I am king over the land and sea." A very pretty trio was sung by Misses A. Purvis, L. Mackin and E. M. Lounsbury. Mr. James Robertson gave as a reading in the Irish dialect a selection from Samuel Lover, which was very humorous. The programme was concluded with a comic quartette, "The Fortune Teller," which was well sung by Messrs. Ellenberger and Clark, and by Messrs. Purvis and Mackin. After the entertainment ice cream, cake, salted peanuts and home-made candies were served.

The Ladies Auxiliary is very successful in the management of these socials, which are always well attended.

Unionville Silk Mill Insurance.

The building occupied by the Unionville Silk Company, which was burned Sunday morning, was insured for \$5,750 in four companies, through the agency of Lewis Adams, Deckerstown. Mr. Adams has also written \$1,000 on the machinery. There was a further insurance of \$35,000 on machinery and stock, which had been placed in New York.

Keep your blood pure and healthy and you will not have rheumatism. Hood's Sarsaparilla gives the blood vitality and richness.

—To-morrow is the second day for registration.

## PINE BUSH.

Surprised by Friends from Walden.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Henry were treated to a grand surprise party, Tuesday evening, when about twenty of their Walden friends dropped in on them without warning, and it goes with saying that all had a most enjoyable time. The tables literally groaned beneath the weight of the good things that the visitors brought with them. After all had eaten till they could eat no more, your correspondent glanced at the tables and wished that the poor could have what was left. The only shadow on the evening's pleasure was the sudden illness of Mrs. Winfield Brown, one of the visitors. It lasted about two hours, but she was much better when it was time for the party to start for home.

## RIDGEBURY.

Organ Recital by Mr. Stevens.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—Mr. W. J. Stevens has been invited to show the capabilities of the new Mason & Hamlin organ in the Ridgebury Presbyterian Church. He has consented to do so on next Monday evening, Feb. 4. All who know his peculiar skill on the cabinet organ anticipate a treat. Others will aid in the concert. To meet expenses a small admittance fee will be charged.

## GREENVILLE.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—The Presiding Elder will preach, baptize and administer the sacrament of the Lord's Supper at the M. E. Church, next Sunday morning.

## BULLVILLE.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—Don't forget the free entertainment and oyster supper at Bullville M. E. Church, Wednesday evening, at 6:30 o'clock. It very stormy the next fair evening.

## 'T WAS WINTER TIME.

A rose, a rose, a rich red rose—  
Upon my lips it lay,  
Its petals large, its color deep,  
Its stem with green leaves dressed.  
Oh, what a lovely sight,  
The smile of a girl who smiles on me  
In love and admiration.  
But the rose, the rose, the rich red rose—  
Which grows on the town of Gray  
Is very scarce this time of year—  
It cost my last week's pay.  
—*Minneapolis Times.*

## A MAN'S BEST IDEAS.

An Old Student Says They Come Into the Mind Unexpectedly.

Professor von Helmholtz, the great German scientist of imperishable fame, not long before his death gave an interesting review of his life work on the occasion of the celebration of his seventieth birthday, in which, among other things, he reveals some instructive features of his habits of study and the process by which he won his ideas as well as the time and manner in which it was his wont to commit the latter to paper. "As it has frequently been my lot to have to await in uncertainty the arrival of appropriate thoughts and conceptions, which then would break suddenly and unheralded upon me, I have just gained some experience in the management of these capricious ideas. This may be of utility to other students of like physiological temperament.

"The best ideas have often stolen silently into the current of my thoughts while the latter were not employed in seeking them. I know not by what process of unconscious cerebration they were evolved. I only knew that they were there. Nor could I at first fully estimate the importance of such unexpected but welcome visitors.

"These ideas never introduced themselves when my brain was tired and almost never at my writing table. I had first to turn my problem in all directions and envisage it from every side, and thereafter to consign it to my involuntary thoughts without even prematurely attempting to solve it within myself or committing my reflections to writing. Long and patient preliminary investigation was the unconditional prerequisite to success.

"No matter how urgent the necessity for action, I must always give my brain its time to relax from fatigue or strain and await the recurrence of a feeling of both physical and mental well being and contentment before writing for publication. My most valuable ideas have presented themselves in the morning on my awakening from a refreshing sleep, but the favorite period for them has been while I was seeking relaxation by roaming slowly over picturesque hills or through wooded parks in the bright sunlight. The slightest indulgence in alcoholic beverages sufficed to banish them from my grasp." —*Baltimore Sun.*

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## A BOSTON GIRL'S LIFE

Saved from Ruin and Despair by the Timely Aid of a Noted Woman.

(SPECIAL TO OUR LADY READERS.)

Is there anything more truly pathetic than the cry for help that springs from the anguished heart of a young girl who sees ahead only suffering and uncertainty? But oh, what joy and gladness her young heart pours forth when she realizes that her dreaded enemy, the blasting influence, is gone, — banished forever.

As sunshine and joy is now the happy portion of Miss Florence of Beacon Street, Boston.

She often tells of her suffering from the suppression of the menses. The pain was excruciating. The doctors, instead of removing the cause of her ailment, plied her each month with morphine to prevent convulsions; but the trouble was permitted to exist.

When she could endure no more, — prostration was imminent and future hopeless, — her father procured a bottle of *Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound*, which, surprising to all, rapidly and permanently cured her.

In writing to Mrs. Pinkham, pouring forth her gratitude and happiness, she says: "Oh! that I could make every suffering woman try your valuable medicine! How they would bless you!"

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DAVID L. CONKLING and Squire Lee, as executors, will sell the household goods, No. 33 Mill street, on Saturday, Feb. 2d, at 2 o'clock sharp. Terms cash. The property for rent. P. F. KAUFMAN, Auctioneer.

WANTED—Good reliable cook at the Children's Home. Apply at once. 45024-4

LOST—Bank book No. 1,795 of the Middletown Savings Bank. Payment stopped. Please return book to bank, No. 3 South St. d18,251

LOST—Bank book No. 5,467 of the Middletown Savings Bank. Payment stopped. Please return book to bank, No. 3 South St. d18,251

ANY Description of Leather Pocket Case or cover manufactured at Bookbinding of McIntyre, 32 North street.

HOTEL Property for sale at Wurtsboro, Sullivan county. Enquire at Hunsicker's Eagle Brewery, Paterson, N. J. 42464

TO LET—Handsome front office, heated with steam, in STEAKS' Building. 49261

WANTED at Once—A competent girl for general housework. Apply at this office.

ON Receipt of postal card, CRAIG will send for your shoe repairing and deliver same day, if required. We make rubber patching a specialty. No. 22 WEST MAIN STREET.

THE Home-Stead Building and Loan Association will loan money on favorable terms, any time during the present month. Apply to any of the officers.

BARGAIN—For sale, house and lot on East avenue. Call EX-150. For further particulars enquire at No. 53 East avenue. 38471

MONEY to loan on first mortgage city property. S. M. Boyd, attorney at law, 56 North street. 25471

STORE for Rent, suitable for drug store, grocery or meat business. Enquire at 23471 Pindar House, Wickham avenue depot.

WANTED—\$1,200 on bond and mortgage, first EDWIN S. MERRILL, Attorney at Law, No. 16 East Main street.

PINDAR House, corner Wickham and Low avenues. Board at reasonable rates. Commercial \$1.50 per day. 10

REDUCTIONS in prices at the City Tailor's, 26 North street, on all orders for fall and winter goods for thirty days to make room for spring goods. C. H. EIDE, 26 North street.

## Notice of Dissolution.

The firm of Meyer & Garrahan, dealers in hats, skins, tailors, etc., has been dissolved by mutual consent.

The business will be continued by Frank A. Meyer, at the old stand at -centon, 47191

Removal Notice of Prudential Co.'s Office.

Owing to an increase in business, and a lack of sufficient room in our present office, to transact same, have concluded to move to the large and spacious office located in the Hasbrouck Building, corner North and Depot streets, on Monday, Feb. 4th.

THEO. A. TAYLOR, Supt.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was it supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address.

F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists & 75c.

## SPECIAL SALE, FRIDAY and SATURDAY.

## HOSIERY.

Ladies' fast black and Balbriggan Hose..... 8c  
Children's fast black Ribbed Hose..... 9c  
Ladies' seamless all wool Hose, fine quality..... 19c  
Misses' fast black Cashmere Hose, double heel and toe, regular 50c. quality..... 29c

*The New York Store*

The Cash Fancy Goods House of Middletown.  
63 North Street, Next to Postoffice.

Are Your Feet Cold or Wet?

If they are, come and get a pair of  
**OUR WARM OVERSHOES!**

They will be sure to keep you warm and dry  
**We Also Have Plenty of Rubber Boots,**

small enough for the smallest boy or large enough for the largest man, at  
**J. G. HARDING'S, 25 W. MAIN ST.**

interest Accounts.

**The First National Bank.**  
Money left with the First National Bank of Middletown, on certificates of deposit for three (3) months, will draw interest at the rate of three (3) per cent. per annum.  
By order of Directors, SKYMOOR & WITTE, Cashier.

**We Say What We Mean at the NEW IDEA.**

**LADIES LOOKING FOR BARGAINS**  
will not be disappointed if they call on us. We will sell all our goods for COST as long as the fall season lasts; to keep things moving until better times come.

**JACKETS AND CAPES!**  
We will sell below cost rather than keep them over next season.  
P. S.—All Electric Cars stop in front of our store.

Respectfully Yours,  
**M. KATZINGER, COR. NORTH AND W. MAIN STS.**

**GOOD**  
Uncolored Japan Tea, good Young  
Hyeon Tea, good Oolong Tea  
all for  
25 Cents a Pound; 5 Pounds for \$1.00.

Best Hams 11c. Shoulders and new packed Pork 8c. a pound, good Molas and S-rup 35c. per gallon, good Butter 16 to 25c. per pound Granulated Sugar 30c for 7 pounds, \$4.15 a hundred.

**G. N. PREDMORE & SON**

**GET YOUR JOB PRINTING DONE AT THE Argus and Mercury Office**

ANYTHING IN THE PRINTING LINE AT SHORT NOTICE.

**FIRST-CLASS WORK GUARANTEED.**

**PRICES ALWAYS RIGHT.**

**MUSICAL.**  
**W. B. ATWOOD,**

Voice Culture. Piano and Organ Lessons.

**STUDIO, Central Building**

RAILROAD AVE. AND NORTH ST. 2ndlyrDec31

**Economize at the ECONOMY STORE,**

114 North St.

**10 Days' Sale on Writing Paper.**

**NOTICE THE PRICES AND QUALITIES.**

School Tablets at 4, 5, 7, 8c. School Pads at 4, 5, 8, 10, 12c. One lot Envelopes at 6c a package, 2 packages for 10c; made of best quality paper, gummed good, three sizes. 8x Paper at 7, 12, 20c. Toilet Paper 7c a roll, or 3 rolls 18c. Best Black Ink 4c a bottle.

Remember we sell the best quality at the same price others get for the cheapest. Don't buy cheap trash when you can get the best for the same money. Remember the place.

**A. T. SQUIER,**

5 West Main street, Middletown

## HOW'S YOUR COLD?

**Better Use Our White Pine Cough Syrup.**

**32 DOSES 25 Cents.**

**TUTHILL'S PHARMACY, 27 JAMES ST**

Keep your blood pure and healthy and you will not have rheumatism. Hood's Sarsaparilla gives the blood vitality and richness.

—To-morrow is the second day for registration.